



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the City Attorney's Office**

Date: August 14, 2014  
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee and Committee of the Whole

Subject: Rafael Antonio Sanchez v. Anthony B. Olsen, City of Minneapolis  
Court File No.: 27-CV-13-9927

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the settlement of this case by payment of \$18,000.00 payable to Rafael Antonio Sanchez and his attorneys, MJR Law, from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400 and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

**Previous Directives:** None

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Approved by:

*[Signature]*  
Susan L. Segal  
City Attorney

Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

**Financial Impact:**(Check those that apply)

- ☐ No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).  
☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the \_\_\_\_\_ Capital Budget or \_\_\_\_\_ Operating Budget.  
☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.  
☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves.  
☐ Business Plan: \_\_\_\_\_ Action is within the plan. \_\_\_\_\_ Action requires a change to plan.  
☒ Other financial impact (Explain): \$18,000.00 from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400  
☐ Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

**Community Impact:** Other

**Background/Supporting Information:**

This matter and subsequent lawsuit arise out of a motor vehicle accident that occurred on December 19, 2010. Rafael Antonio Sanchez was traveling south on 34<sup>th</sup> Street West at or near its intersection with Nicollet Avenue South when he was rear-ended by a Minneapolis Squad and was pushed into the vehicle in front of him. The vehicle Mr. Sanchez was driving sustained in excess of \$3,000.00 in damage.

As a result of the crash, Rafael Antonio Sanchez sustained injuries and incurred in excess of \$18,000.00 in treatment expenses. Mr. Jimenez continues to suffer physical symptoms as a result of his injuries.

Following extensive negotiations with his attorney and a mediation, we have reached a tentative settlement of the Plaintiff's personal injury suit against the City in the amount of \$18,000.00. This proposed settlement has been discussed with the Public Works Department and they are in agreement with the terms. We believe that the settlement is in the best interests of the City and recommend approval by this Committee.

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